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FM AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3828

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

AMCONSUL DURBAN

USDOC WASHDC

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ELTN, ETRD, SF, MZ

SUBJ: U.S. CHROME ORE SUPPLY, SOUTH AFRICAN RAILWAYS AND MOZAMBIQUE

REF: STATE 66608 AND PREVIOUS

1. THE INFORMATION BELOW WAS ACQUIRED DURING A VISIT PAID APRIL 4 BY DAVID CHRISTENSEN, OF AF/S, ALONG WITH JOHANNESBURG SENIOR COMMERCIAL OFFICER AND MINERALS OFFICER, TO AN OFFICIAL OF A MAJOR CHROME ORE PRODUCING COMPANY. THE MOZAMBIQUE RAILROAD AND PORT SITUATION APPEARS TO BE GRADUALLY IMPROVING, WITH SOUTH AFRICAN RAILWAYS (SAR) ASSISTANCE TO CFM-MOZAMBIQUE ALREADY UNDERWAY (CFM LOCOMOTIVES BEING REPAIRED IN SAR SHOPS, SAR LOCOMOTIVES ON LOAN TO CFM) AND BETTER COOPERATION AMONG SOUTH AFRICAN ORE PRODUCERS REGARDING SHIPMENTS. SOUTH AFRICAN CHROME ORE SHIPMENTS THROUGH LOURENCO MARQUES WERE DOWN ONLY 25 PERCENT IN FIRST-QUARTER 1975 FROM FIRST-QUARTER 1974 TOTALS, IN IMPROVEMENT OVER EARLIER LEVELS BECAUSE OF INCREASED EXPORTS IN MARCH.

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2. WE APPRECIATE PRETORIA'S REPEATING REFTTEL TO JOHANNESBURG AND

SUGGEST THIS POST BE INCLUDED BY SECSTATE AS ADDRESSEE IN FUTURE  
MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT. WITH HEADQUARTERS OF SAR AND OF ORE  
PRODUCERS LOCATED IN JOHANNESBURG, THIS CONGEN INITIATED AND HAS  
BEEN ACTIVE IN RECENT REPORTING ON THE SUBJECT.  
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